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## BEFORE ADAM

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inside of which the seeds rattled. I had great fun with it for awhile. But came the general practise of the horde. But I was not the inventor. The honor was due to old Marrow Bone, and it is fair to assume that it was the necessity of his great age that brought about the innovation.

At any rate, the first member of the horde to use gourds was Marrow Bone. He kept a supply of drinking water in his cave, which cave belonged to his son, the Hairless One, who permitted him to occupy a corner of it. We used at the drinking place and carrying it carefully up to his cave. Imitation was strong in the folk, and first one pot; grand scenery; fine bass fishing. and then another and another procured a gourd and us.d it in similar fashion, until it was a general practise with | all of us so to store water.

Sometimes ald Marrow Bone had sick spells and was unable to leave the cave. Then it was that the Hairless One filled the gourd for him. A little later the Hairless One deputed the task to Long Lip, his son. And after that, even when Marrow Bone was well again, Long Lip continued carrying water for him. By and by, except on unusual occasions, the men never carried any water at all, leaving the task to the women and larger children. Lop Ear and I were independent. We carried water only for ourselves, and we often mocked the young water carriers when they were called away from play to fill the gourds. Progress was slow with us. We

played through life, even the adults, much in the same way that children play, and we played as none of the other animals played. What little we learned was usually in the course of play and was due to our curiosity and keenness of appreciation. For that matter, the one big invention of the horde during the time I lived with it was the use of gourds. At first we stored only water in the gourds, in imitation of old Marrow Bone.

But one day some one of the women -1 do not know which one-filled a gourd with blackberries and carried it to the cave. In no time all the women were carrying berries and nuts and roots in the gourds. The idea, once started, had to go on. Another evolution of the carrying receptacle was due to the women. Without doubt some woman's gourd was too small, or else she had forgotten her gourd. But be that as it may, she bent two great leaves together, pinning the seams with twigs, and carried home a bigger quantity of berries than could have been contained in the largest gourd.

So far we got and no farther in the transportation of supplies during the years I lived with the folk. It never entered anybody's head to weave a basket out of willow withes. Sometimes the men and women tied tough vines about the bundles of ferns and branches that they carried to the caves to sleep upon. Possibly in ten or twenty generations we might have worked up to the weaving of baskets And of this one thing is sure-if once we wove withes into baskets the next and inevitable step would have been the weaving of cloth. Clothes would have followed, and with covering our nakedness would have come modesty.

Thus was momentum gained in the younger world. But we were without this momentum. We were just getting started, and we could not go far in a single generation. We were without weapons, without fire and in the raw beginning of speech. The device of writing lay so far in the future that I

am appalled when I think of it. great discovery. To show you how This made me ashamed and spurred fortuitous was development in those days let me state that had it not been for the gluttony of Lop Ear I might have brought about the domestication | the nape of the neck. Lop Ear and I of the dog. And this was something that the Fire People who lived to the northeast had not yet achieved. They were without dogs. This ! knew from observation. But let me tell you how thought he had heard something. We Lop Ear's gluttony possibly set back looked at each other in fear, realizing our social development many genera-

head we chattered down at him our her dislike and hatred. And from branch

way. And we made him good and no matter what happened. hungry. He snarled at us and lashed

Another time I found a dry gourd, I more than one member of the horde, czught unexpectedly, had gone the way of the tiger's belly or the lion's. it was a plaything, nothing more. And Also by such ordeals of helplessness yet it was not long after this that the and shame we taught the hunting aniusing of gourds for storing water be- mals to some extent to keep out of our territory. And, then, it was funny. It was a great game.

And so Lop Ear and I chased Saher Tooth across three miles of forest. Toward the last he put his tail between his legs and fied from our gibing like a beaten cur. We did our best to keep up with him, but when we reached the edge of the forest he was no more than a streak in the distance.

I don't know what prompted us, unless it was curiosity, but after playing to see Marrow Bone filling his gourd around awhile Lop Ear and I ventured across the open ground to the edge of the rocky hills. We did not go far. Possibly at no time were we more than a hundred yards from the trees. Coming around a sharp corner of rock (we ! went very carefully, because we did not know what we might encounter) we came upon three puppies playing

They did not see us, and we watched them for some time. They were wild dogs. In the rock wall was a horizontal fissure, evidently the lair where their mother had left them and where



We Came Upon Three Puppies Playing In the Sun.

they should have remained had they been obedient. But the growing life, that in Lop Ear and me had impelled us to venture away from the forest, had driven the puppies out of the cave to frolic. I know how their mother would have punished them had she

But it was Lop Ear and I who caught them. He looked at me, and then we made a dash for it. The puppies knew no place to run except into the lair, and we headed them off. One rushed between my legs. I squatted and grabbed him. He sank his sharp little teeth into my arm, and I dropped him in the suddenness of the hurt and surprise. The next moment he had

Lop Ear, struggling with the second puppy, scowled at me and intimated by a variety of sounds the different kinds Even I was once on the verge of a of a fool and a bungler that I was. me to valor. I grabbed the remaining puppy by the tail. He got his teeth into me once, and then I got him by sat down and held the puppies up and looked at them and laughed.

They were snarling and yelping and crying. Lop Ear started suddenly. He the danger of our position. The one thing that made animals raging de-Well to the west of our caves was a mons was tampering with their young. great swamp, but to the south iay a And these puppies that made such a stretch of low, rocky hills. These racket belonged to the wild dogs. Well were little frequented for two reasons. we knew them, running in packs, the First of all, there was no food there of terror of the grass eating animals. We the kind we ate, and next, those rocky had watched them following the herds hills were filled with the lairs of car- of cattle and bison and dragging down the calves, the aged and the sick. We But Lop Ear and I strayed over to had been chased by them ourselves the hills one day. We would not have more than once. I had seen one of the strayed had we not been teasing a ti- folk, a woman, run down by them and ger. Please do not laugh. It was old caught just as she reached the shelter Saber Tooth himself. We were per- of the woods. Had she not been tired factly safe. We chanced upon him in out by the run she might have made it the forest early in the morning, and into a tree. She tried and slipped and from the safety of the branches over- fell back. They made short work of

to branch and from tree to tree we er than a moment. Keeping tight hold puppy, its four legs still tied, dropped followed overhead, making an infernal of our prizes, we ran for the woods. row and warning all the forest dwell- Once in the security of a tall tree, we to dine. ers that old Saber Tooth was coming. held up the puppies and laughed again. We spoiled his hunting for him, any. You see, we had to have our laugh out, He abused the hyena and then went sprang for Lop Ear—the cave was

## WAR, PATRIOTISM AND FREE SPACE

(An Editorial from Printers' Ink)

At the beginning of the war great pressure was brought to bear upon the newspapers of the various belligerent nations to donate their advertising space for patriotic purposes. From so many quarters did the appeals come that it soon became evident the publishers would go bankrupt if they yielded to all the calls. Consequently, they soon saw the necessity of a definite policy and of concerted action. They were patriotic and were anxious to do all they could to promote the cause of their respective governments.

But-is not advertising space a commodity with just as definite a value and just as fixed a manufacturing cost as a case of cartridges of a carload of canned goods?

If the manufacturers of munitions and other supplies were to be paid for the products of their factories, then why should not the manufacturers of advertising space be paid for the products of their factories? To give their space away would be to depreciate the value of advertising in the mind of the public at large.

We are all familiar with the advertising campaign in England to secure recruits, and we all know what great results were achieved. Now, this space was paid for in cash - not donated. The individual publishers contributed to the fund in the shape of checks and taxes, just like other business men.

Similarly, in Canada, the publishers had to decide what their policy would be. Did patriotism demand that they donate their space to all the objects growing out of war conditions? Or, were they justified in viewing their advertising as having as fixed a value as any other commodity needed for the equipment of the army and the prosecution of the war?

The answer is supplied in a letter to Printer's Ink from Charles F. Roland, president and general manager of the Winnipeg Telegram. We commend Mr. Roland's logic to the body of men who, in the years to come, expect to continue making their living out of the sale or purchase of advertising

"The policy adopted by the three Winnipeg papers is to charge the 10,000-line rate to all patriotic, Red Cross societies and organizations doing war-relief work. This plan was considered from a business standpoint, as advertising space is the only commodity the newspaper has to seil.

"I might add that the three Winnipeg papers are contributing

in each to patriotic funds \$7,000 this year; the Winnipeg Free Press giving \$3,400, the Winnipeg Telegram \$2,500 and the Winnipeg Tribune \$1,200. I understand this same policy was adopted in Toronto by the Toronto Mail and Empire, the Globe, the World and the News.

"Previous to February 1, when I became associated with the Winnipeg Telegram, I held the position of secretary-treasurer of both the Manitoba Patriotic Fund and the Manitoba Red Cross Society. During the first year of the war we raised by public subscription, through the use of from fourcolumn to full-page appeals in the newspapers, over \$1,000,000 in eash; for the Red Cross Society we used only small space, which had the result of bringing in over \$250,000 in cash and supplies during the first year.

"Ten days ago Winnipeg required \$50,000 additional funds for patriotic purposes. The committee in charge of the campaign used five-column display announcements in each of the three Winnipeg papers for five days, and when the campaign closed the amount was over-subscribed.

"The Canadian Red Cross Society has sent millions of dollars' worth of goods to the battlefields of Europe, and the Manitoba Patriotic Fund, which helps to provide for the wives and children of the soldiers on active service, is paying out nearly \$100,000 per month.

"It would be just as reasonable for the Red Cross Society to go to one of our wholesale dry-goods houses and ask them to supply one hundred rolls of hospital linen as it would be to come to our newspapers and ask us to contribute our space free. Our space is just as much of a staple commodity with us as the linen is with the wholesale dry-goods house.

"The policy adopted has received no criticism; on the other hand, the patriotic societies only use a limited amount of space at such times as they are absolutely in need of funds.'

There can be no question but that the stand of the Canadian and English papers is both patriotic and business-like. Under such a policy as Mr. Roland describes, advertising will emerge from the war with respect for it increased, rather than diminished.

Supposing the Canadian publishers had chosen to give away a million dollars' worth of space. People would have been quick to say, "Oh, it didn't cost anything -probably it isn't worth anything!"

But, instead of giving away a million dollars' worth of space, the Canadian papers charged their government a fair price and then, from a modest campaign, produced a million dollars' worth of results.

Which is the better advertisement of advertising-to give away a million dollars' worth of space, or to demonstrate that intelligent advertising can be made to yield a million dollars in direct returns?

And as for patriotism-we think the stand of the Canadian publishers was absolutely unimpeachable, What is freely given away is always lightly esteemed. If the Canadian dailies had donated out of hand a million dollars' worth of space, the chances are the space would have been filled with perfunctory, flabby copy. There would have been no returns worth talking about, and advertising would have received another black

The American Newspaper Publishers' Association, meeting this week in New York, has just put out a bulletin to its members, the sentiments in which seem, not only to Printers' Ink, but to a great number of advertisers and advertising agents, to be thoroughly sound and deserving of applause. This is the official expression of the greatest and most influential organization of newspapers any-

### "Is the American Newspaper Published for Love?

"Great Britain advertises in the newspapers for recruits and pays the newspapers for transmitting its messages to the public.

"Canada pays the newspapers for advertising her apple crop, for patriotism and production, a campaign to secure increase in agricultural production and a townplot-cultivation campaign to iucrease the number of backyard gardens under cultivation, and also a campaign to increase the consumption of peaches and plums.

"The United States Government, and some others, seem to view the newspaper as an omnibus, designed for free transportation. The Government, however, pays its way in all other lines, including billboards for securing recruits.

"Are the newspapers of Great Britain and of Canada lacking in patriotism? Henry Ford pays for his peace advertising. The American Defense Society seeks the news columns to push its propaganda."

Printers' Ink believes in patriotism, preparedness and publicity -but refuses to believe they are objects of charity.

He was jubilant and did not wait for me to finish tying my puppy's legs, but around to the side and then on in front. Its teeth were not tied, and the next thing it did was to sink its teeth stomach. He let out a scream, nearly fell and clutched a branch violently with both hands to save himself. The we did not stare at each other long- vine around his neck broke, and the

Lop Ear was disgusted and angry.

to the ground. The hyena proceeded

Lop Ear got an idea. He remem- they saw me lugging the puppy up to horde. He was more primitive than tended always to destroy the horde bered how we tied up bundles of leaves | my high little cave, but I did not mind. | any of us. He did not belong with us, | by his unsocial acts. He was really to catty, home for beds. Breaking off Success crowned my efforts, and there yet we were still so primitive our a reversion to an earlier type, and his some tough gines, he tied his puppy's was the puppy. He was a plaything selves that we were incapable of a place was with the Tree People rathlegs together and then, with another such as none of the folk possessed. cooperative effort strong enough to er than with us who were in the propiece of vine passed around his neck, He learned rapidly. When I played kill him or cast him out. Rude as was cess of becoming men. slung the puppy on his back. This left with him and he bit me I boxed his our social organization, he was, neverhim with hands and feet free to climb. ears, and then he did not try again to theless, too rude to live in it. He

bite for a long time. I was quite taken up with him. He started on. There was one difficulty was something new, and it was a however. The puppy wouldn't stay characteristic of the folk to like new slung on Lop Ear's back. It swung things. When I saw that he refused fruits and vegetables, I caught birds for him and squirrels and young rabbits. (We folk were meat eaters as into Lop Ear's soft and unprotected well as vegetarians, and we were adept at catching small game). The puppy ate the meat and thrived. As well as I can estimate, I must have had him over a week. And then, coming back to the cave one day with a nestful of young hatched pheasants, I fourd Lop Ear had killed the puppy and was just beginning to eat him. I off alone through the trees. I had no small-and we went at it tooth and

his tail, and sometimes he paused and stared up at us quietly for a long time, as if debating in his mind some way by which he could get hold of us. But we only laughed and pelted him with lwigs and the ends of branches.

This tiger bulting was common sport range the folk. Sometimes half the horde would follow from overhead a tiger or lion that had ventured out in the daytime. It was our revenge, for the daytime. It was our revenge, for the chargest that I knew for wanting to carry the puppy to the cave except that I was the cave except that I was deal easier by elaborating on Lop Ear's idea. Not only did I the the puppy's legs, but I thrust a stick through his jaws and the the work a great deal easier by elaborating on Lop Ear's idea. Not only did I the the puppy's legs, but I thrust a stick through his jaws and the them together securely.

Once we tried to walk on the ground, but were treed by a miserable hyena, who followed along underneath. He was a wise hyena.

The start I knew for wanting to carry the puppy to the cave except that I wanted to, and I stayed by my task. I made the work a great deal easier by elaborating on Lop Ear's idea. Not only did I the the puppy's legs, but I thrust a stick through his jaws and tied them together securely.

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